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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The following references have been cited in the attached Supplementary European Search Report.

- JP 2002 127070 discloses a plate-like body holder. The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to European claims 1 and 2 and further cited under Category Y as being relevant to European claims 5, 6, 9 and 10. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- JP 04 013590 discloses a floating suction mechanism. The reference has been cited under Category X as being relevant to European claims 1-4. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract. This reference has been previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 18, 2006 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

- JP 2002 307356 discloses a sucking holding device. The reference has been cited under Category Y as being relevant to European claims 9 and 10. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- FR 2 547 289 discloses a suction cup attaching onto a load. The reference has been cited under Category Y as being relevant to European claims 5 and 6. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- EP 0 472 738 A1 discloses a sucking disc. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 5 and 6.

- JP 61 100338 discloses a vacuum suction device. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 9 and 10. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- JP 01 210240 discloses a method and apparatus for centering disc. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 9 and 10. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- JP 06 336392 discloses a hand. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 1 and 8. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- JP 60 085890 discloses a vacuum hand. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 1 and 8. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

- JP 2002 018757 discloses a vacuum sucking lift with multilayered sucking pad. The

reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to European claims 1, 3 and 8. No translation is available at this time, however, attached is the English language abstract.

Consideration of the above references is requested.

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copy of Supplementary European Search Report  
copies of (10) References  
copies of (9) English Abstracts

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